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Mary Edith Pillarella

Mary Pillarella to wed

The Rev. and Mrs. Andrew Pillarella of Dallas, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Edith to Billy Ted Martin, son of Mrs. Jean Martin, Wapwallopen, Pa. and Mr. Henry Martin, Tempe, Arizona.

The two are planning a January 13 wedding at Trinity United Presbyterian Church, Dallas.

The bride to be is employed as a Crisis Therapist at West Valley Camelback Hospital in Glendale, Arizona. She is residing in Tempe, Arizona.

Mr. Martin is the owner of Billy's Custom Clubs in Tempe, Arizona.

A son, Carl Albert, for Bartizeks

Ronald and Charlotte Bartizek, 42 Norton Avenue, Dallas announce the birth of a son, Carl Albert, November 22. He was born at Nesbitt Memorial Hospital in Kingston.

Maternal grandparents are

Edward and Helga Senk of Charlestown, Rhode Island. Paternal grandmother is Phyllis Bartizek of Willimantic, Connecticut.

Carl has a sister, Kathryn Elizabeth, who is three and one-half years old.



A DECADE OF SERVICE - Shown are participants in the Tenth Anniversary Celebration of the Luzerne County Community College Single Parent and Homemaker Program, from left, Henry

Schultz, Wilkes-Barre; Shawn Murphy, Dallas; Maureen Ambrose, Harrisburg; Dr. William Camp, Dallas; Dorothy Hershey, Harrisburg and Vel Shearer, Wilkes-Barre.

LCCC single parents' program notes tenth year

"Ten Years...Helping Rebuild Lives," was the theme of the Tenth Anniversary Celebration of the Single Parent and Homemaker program of Luzerne County Community College held recently at the college's Educational Conference Center.

The program opened with a welcome by Shawn Murphy, mistress of ceremonies. Dr. William Camp, college provost, offered comments, and Vel Shearer, program coordinator/counselor, gave a history of the Single Parent and Homemaker program at LCCC.

Participants in the college's program, Sue Confer, Dianna Gardjulis, Paulette Zearfoss and Peg Willis, spoke on their experiences in the LCCC Homemaker program.

Guest speaker for the celebration was Dorothy Hershey, coordinator, Single Parent and Homemaker Programs, Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Henry Schultz, member of the LCCC Single Parent and Homemaker Program Advisory Board, gave recognition to employers involved with the program; and

Maureen Ambrose, director, Parent and Family Involvement Services, Pennsylvania Department of Education, former coordinator of the LCCC program, also offered comments.

The Single Parent and Homemaker program at LCCC helps single parents and homemakers become self-supporting members of the community. It contributes to solving the critical problems of unemployment, and aids in the elimination of social, mental health, and economic conditions that result in individual dependency on the welfare system.

The LCCC Single Parent and Homemaker program offers many services to single parents and homemakers who wish to return to school. The program, which is open to both men and women, provides funding for those who need job training so they can either enter, or return to, the work force.

Personal, career and academic counseling; support services including growth groups and guidance workshops on topics such as self-esteem building, self-assertive-

ness training, job-readiness skills, and money management; as well as a tuition-free start on an education; are all offered through the LCCC Single Parent and Homemaker program.

In its 10 years of existence, the program for Single Parents and Homemakers at LCCC has helped approximately 1,500 single parents and homemakers.

Earlier this month the new Secretary of Education, Donald Carroll, visited the main campus

of LCCC to receive recognition for his work with the college's Single Parent and Homemaker program. Secretary Carroll, and Nadine Diodata, director, Assistant Housing Development and Urban Development, were presented Certificates of Appreciation by members of the LCCC program.

Funding for the LCCC Single Parent and Homemaker program is made possible through a grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Education, Bureau of Vocational and Adult Education.

Solo Club list Dec. events

The Solo Club of Luzerne County announces the following schedule for the month of December.

December 9 - Annual Christmas Party at Golden Palace, Parsons. Party will start at 6 p.m. Contact Alice Call for reservations.

December 16, December 23 and December 30 - Dancing at V.F.W., Dupont.

December 31 - New Year's Eve Party at Dupont V.F.W. See Betty Erwine for tickets.

The club is open to membership to any single, divorced or widowed person 35 years of age or older. New members are always welcome. For further information on club membership or club activities, please call Gene Schray at 675-1704 or Mickey Finn at 287-4365.

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